GLENN HAUSER'S SHORTWAVE/DX REPORT 99-30, July 15, 1999

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** CANARY ISLANDS [non]. Fishing around for something to listen to while taking a shower, on my trusty Astronaut 4 in the bathroom -- but watch out for the hot chassis! -- came upon "Espan~oles en la Mar" program on REE somewhere on the 13m band, looks like about 22.05 MHz on the tiny dial, but really 21700, at 1420 Sat July 10. Judging from Tenerife address, this show originates from Canaries, tho we can no longer hear SW direct from the Islands. Started out with pen-pal segment, but big lead story was "the largest drug bust ever", 15,000 kilos (so why don't the call it 15 megas?), with some Colombians, Spaniards and Gallegos arrested in Las Palmas; later a report on investigating the causes of whale mortality (Glenn Hauser, OK, REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING)

** CUBA/VIETNAM. The director-general of V. of Vietnam, Tran Mai Hanh, visited R. Havana Cuba July 12. RHC director Milagro Hernandez Cuba welcomed Tran, who is also a member of the Central Committee of Vietnam's Communist Party... (RHC website July 12 via BBC Monitoring, exerpted by Hauser) So, maybe VOV relays are next...

** EUROPE. Oops, SWRS forgot that Portugal uses 21800 on weekends, as checked July 10 at 1413; possibly SWRS would be on and audible whenever RDP closes (Glenn Hauser, OK)

LATER: Using 21860-USB the weekend of July 17.

** GUYANA. 5950. After RTI via WYFR signed off at 0800, the Voice of Guyana was doing just fine. I tuned the tape recorder on and faded off to sleep. The next morning we checked the tape and had a good hour of the Voice of Guyana including "Voice of Guyana" ids. This thanks to your report regarding the 2 hour "window" mentioned in the June Messenger. (Mickey Delmage, at Don Moman's antenna farm, Alberta, July 11, REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING)

** IRELAND [non]. Finally remembered to check RTE's new relay to CAm on 6155 UT Mon July 12: *0129:45 amidst ad for Mazda, then Irish

Mirror and its sports coverage. Then ID as "Radio One, just after half past 6" so presumably delayed from 1730 UT like on WWCR. Still no info on site for this one, but signal was good with rolling fades; could be DTK. Three minutes of news by woman, concluding at 0133 with "News again at 7" -- not for the megalisteners to this frequency -- are they oblivious of their SW audience? Another Irish Mirror ad, car insurance country-wide by phoning 617-9950, timecheck for 25:7, into weather summary, and 0137 sports news, whence I departed. Off a bit before 0200 but I wasn't listening in time in case there was some switching error to give us a clue on relay site (Glenn Hauser, REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING)

** IRELAND [non]. Glenn,
The new RTE Overseas Service on 6155 kHz at 0130 UT daily to Central America is coming from Rampisham (Merlin) according to mail received from Julie Hayde (RTE, Dublin).

By the way, your recent posting on DX report omitted to say that the same service via WWCR, 12160 kHz, goes out at 1900 UT Sat & Sun. The 1830 UT slot is Mon - Fri. (Finbarr O'Driscoll, Ireland 12 July '99, WORLD OF RADIO 996)

** ISLE OF MAN [non]. http://www.longwaveradio.com Isle of Man International Broadcasting Company Ltd plans not only longwave 279 kHz but also per the website on the page showing LW coverage map, satellite, shortwave, and internet:

"Reception will also be possible over most of Europe by satellite and at certain times of day further afield into the Middle East and former Soviet Union on short wave. We also propose broadcasting to North America on short wave. The radio station's transmissions will be available on the Internet."

No doubt the SW will not be from Man itself, but Merlin, DTK, etc (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 996)

** MEXICO. Another Mexican nail in the coffin of American clear-channel radio: WCCO's coverage is further restricted by what is billed as a "new" outlet on 830, which was dominating the channel here Friday July 9 at 1038, from Piedras Negras, Coahuila, which is about as close as you can get to Minneapolis and still be in Mexico. Frequent IDs as "La Norten~ita" in the Radio Zo'calo group, 5 kW. Recheck at 1105 in locally-originated news with time and temp chex at least once a minute -- 23 degrees, high today 34 -- lots of news about the PRI; evidently a local election coming up. Also said a new flight from Torreon to Piedras Negras to Dallas was about to start July 19, once the P.N. airport has FAA supervision. This newscast was just a warmup for the sesquihour "Las Noticias de Hoy" to start at 7 am (1200 UT) as

promoted at 1109. Missed third letter of callsign: XE_K, and slogans at 1110 included "R. Zo'calo, la radio bien hecha," "La Norten~ita, la nueva estrella de Radio Zo'calo, la buena, que buena". By this hour WCCO had faded out anyway, but I fear this will be a big problem in the evenings, unless perchance they go to direxional protexion (Glenn Hauser, OK, REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING)

** MOLDOVA. The planned frequency for MW broadcasts via Moldova is 1548 kHz. TWR already uses Grigoriopol tx. (500 kw) for broadcasts towards Russia, Ukraine and Belorussia on 999 kHz daily 1800-1830 and 1900-1930 UTC. (Nick Pashkevich, Russia, July 9, WORLD OF RADIO 996)

** SRI LANKA. VOA Iranawila proof of performance test schedule

0000 July 17 to 0800 July 24

Time(GMT)	Freq	Azi	Lang	
0000-0100	6010	25	TIBE	
0000-0100	15115	25	TIBE	
0000-0100	15565	291	ENGL	
0000-0100	17650	25	TIBE	
0100-0200	7115	25	ENGL	
0100-0200	15115	4	CHIN	[LATER: changed to 15175]
0100-0200	15460	20	CHIN	
0100-0200	17650	41	CHIN	
0200-0300	7115	33	ENGL	
0200-0300	11695	4	CHIN	
0200-0300	15115	41	CHIN	
0200-0300	15460	20	CHIN	
0300-0330	11695	33	AMHA	
0300-0400	6090	255	ENGL	
0300-0400	15115	25	ENGL	
0330-0400	11695	275	ENGL	
0400-0500	6090	356	ENGL	
0400-0500	13770	267	ENGL	
0400-0500	17740	318	ENGL	
0500-0600	6065	247	ENGL	
0500-0600	11695	25	TIBE	
0500-0600	15460	25	TIBE	
0500-0600	17740	25	TIBE	
0600-0700	6065	286	ENGL	
0600-0700	6170	299	ENGL	
0600-0700	9770	348	ENGL	
0600-0700	17740	20	ENGL	
0700-0800	6065	356	ENGL	
0700-0800	7275	25	ENGL	

0700-0800	9770	25	ENGL
0700-0800	13620	33	CHIN
0800-0900	6190	340	ENGL
0800-0900	7275	334	ENGL
0800-0900	9790	4	ENGL
0800-0900	12040	25	ENGL
0900-1000	7275	4	ENGL
0900-1000	9770	340	ENGL
0900-1000	11695	25	ENGL
0900-1000	17740	41	CHIN
1000-1100	6170	332	ENGL
1000-1100	9790	255	ENGL
1000-1100	11695	49	ENGL
1000-1100	15445	41	CHIN
1100-1130	13795	255	ENGL
1100-1200	13760	4	ENGL
1100-1200	17650	20	CHIN
1100-1200	17650	41	CHIN
1130-1230	13795	49	BURM
1200-1300	9515	291	ENGL
1200-1300	9535	12	ENGL
1200-1300	21555	267	ENGL
1230-1330	13795	73	VIET
1300-1400	13685	4	CHIN
1300-1400	13760	49	KORE
1300-1400	17650	20	CHIN
1330-1400	9890	73	ENGL
1400-1500	7215	25	ENGL
1400-1500	13685	25	TIBE
1400-1500	15480	20	TIBE
1400-1500	17620	25	TIBE
1500-1600	6120	73	VIET
1500-1600	7215	25	ENGL
1500-1600	13755	73	VIET
1500-1600	17640	310	ENGL
1600-1700	7215	25	ENGL
1600-1700	7215	291	ENGL
1600-1700	9555	33	BANG
1600-1700	21815	255	ENGL
1700-1800	7215	25	ENGL
1700-1800	7215	291	ENGL
1700-1800	17795	310	ENGL
1700-1800	21535	255	ENGL
1900-2000	9680	73	ENGL
1900-2000	15520	73	ENGL
2000-2100	21815	73	ENGL

(Jim Watson, Sri Lanka, July 14 via Larry Nebron, Wolfgang Bueschel,

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** TAIWAN. Happened across an announcement from RTI via WYFR 5950 at 0714 July 14 that three frequencies are off for technical reasons until mid-July (all of them from Taiwan itself), 11745 at 0300, 9610 at 1200, 15125 at 1400 (Glenn Hauser, REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING)

** U S A. The AFRTS/AFN SSB relays have been going for almost a year, and we've never seen a program schedule for them. AFRTS has declined to provide any, since it seems that any one of 5 different program streams might be on SW, apparently chosen at whim or upon request by target vessels. So we need monitoring observations of exactly what has been heard, whether 2-hour talk or music shows, or 1-minute bits, in case the info be repeatable.

July 14 Wed at 0715 all three frequencies were on and //, 12689.5, 6458.5 and 4278.5 with Paul Harvey noon playback (Ed Baxter subbing), without all the commercials so ended at 0727 when The Ocean Report appeared. Then until 1259 was The Law Show with wacky cases, on 12689.5 only. lawshow@wamc.org If a lot of people will monitor these frequencies and keep track of what's on when, we can construct a partial schedule. Every little bit helps. (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 996)

[Original text above had frequency mixup: "6478.5 and 4258.5" = wrong]

** U S A. WRMI has just started testing on a new frequency! 7465 daily at 0330-0500, to NAm, expected to be expanded (Jeff White, WRMI, on HCJB DX Partyline July 11 via Hauser)

Well, poorly timed announcement, as no such test occurred that same UT day, As The World Czeched. Instead stayed on 9955, evidently on the NW antenna as the signal was fair rather than non amid the Cuban commie jamming, but with some bilingual gospel huxters rather than R. Prague relay at 0330 -- what has become of that, which was supposed to be 7 dpw in English at that hour? S/off at 0400 was generic for 9955, no mention of 7465. Anyhow, 7465 was clear and unjammed. So Jeff has finally taken our advice to get a new frequency and hope the dentro-cubano commie jammers don't follow. Remains to be seen if he will also keep fuera-cubano Spanish programming off it to give the jammers no excuse to follow except spite. Nor next night, UT July 12, when stayed on 9955 in Spanish past 0430. Nor July 13 (Glenn Hauser, REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING)

** U S A. WRMI's new 7465 finally started UT Wed July 14: tune-in at 0329 to find open carrier, and 9955 already off; 0330 ID giving the new frequency to North America, and into "Word of Spirit Radio Broadcast". At 0415 recheck another wacky preacher was in progress. At least there was no jamming -- yet. We hold faint hope that this will carry some

decent programming on weekends, such as Wavescan, Viva Miami. WRMI's xoom website July 15 had eveything but a program schedule. (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 996, which includes a tape of the historic first "7465" announcement)

** U S A. Last Friday's Al Weiner Worldwide on WBCQ 7415, UT Sat July 10 spent the last half hour from 0030 with a taped report following a visit to the navy's super-power VLF station NAA in Cutler, Maine. The key word here is *BIG*. Mainly operates on 24 kHz. So AWWW can be sort of a media program (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 996)

** U S A. The other day I ran across Brother Stair. Said the US was about to be invaded by thousands and thousands of Russian troops who weren't coming from Russia but were stationed right here in the US, and when this event occurred the Second Coming would happen, Christ would come and save everything and Brother Stair wouldn't have a job anymore. This guy is so nutty it's incredible there are people who believe him -- that's the scary part. (Tom Risher, CA, July 9, REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING)

** YUGOSLAVIA. Glenn,
Radio Yugoslavia had some Orthodox church music during the last ten minutes of the English transmission at 0000 July 14. More such music programs from Belgrade would be welcome. They also gave out the e-mail address: radioyu@bits.net and website address: beograd.com/radioyu (which is outdated -- it redirects you to their current site: http://www.radioyu.org) I also noted some new jingles on RY last night. On UT Sundays at 0000-0030 on 9580, 11850 there is no English, but Serbian, more musical respite with folk music instead of all the talk (Ivan Grishin, Ont., July 14, REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING) ###